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FOR THE ALUMNI OF SAINT JOSEPH'S COLLEGE

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## Lafayette Diocese Starts Campaign For St. Joe Dorm

The Bishop and the Catholic public of the Diocese of Lafayette are setting out to do something about the housing shortage at St. Joseph's!

A diocesan fund campaign, with the blessing of Bishop John G. Bennett (St. Joseph's, '09), is now getting under way, with its goal a new 100-man residence hall. It is estimated that an average donation of five dollars from every Catholic man, woman and child in the diocese, where Collegeville is located, will build the \$200,000 structure.

St. Joseph's is one of the few colleges in the country which is geared especially to the finances of young men of low and moderate means who are desirous of getting a sound Catholic education. More and more of these young men, realizing the tremendous advantages of study at St. Joseph's, have been wanting to come here.

But the present housing facilities, even with all possible emergency measures taken, limit the student enrollment to approximately 600 students.

St. Joseph's has the faculty, library, classrooms, kitchen and cafeteria, laboratories and athletic facilities to serve a much larger student body—almost everything that is needed, except housing!

Realizing the great significance of this need, Bishop Bennett, before his departure for Rome last month, authorized the fund campaign in his diocese, leaving the vicar-general, Rt. Rev. Msgr. Thomas J. Travers, in charge.

Because of the Bishop's long and continuing interest in the affairs of the college, and in order to honor one of the school's most worthy alumni, officials of St. Joseph's have announced that the new 98-student, two prefect dormitory will be named Bennett Hall.

It is hoped that ground can be broken for the building by early next spring.

"Really the whole structure of the College represents the sacrifices of the priests of the Community (Society of the Precious Blood)," wrote Bishop Bennett on the eve of his departure for Rome. "The priests, brothers, and the good sisters too, have made St. Joseph's what it is. It is time now that the Catholic public come to the aid of the College."

"With the higher prices of all that goes into the building and maintenance of a college, the sacrifices of those in charge are no longer sufficient to expand the physical plant. We, who have been the recipients of the charity of the College all these years, should come to the aid of our own institution."

"Therefore, the Fathers of the Precious Blood have my good wishes in their efforts to raise funds, and my blessing on the project."

## Father Lenk Is Host to Board

The Alumni board of directors neatly combined business with pleasure a couple of weeks ago, meeting with President Rev. Joseph A. Lenk at his "Maryite Vacation Club" on Lake Maxineetee, near Culver, Ind.

The host, who is pastor of Culver's Saint-Mary's-of-the-Lake Church and Catholic chaplain for Culver Military Academy, is ideally fitted by nature and by cottage for such a week-end. He plans before long to convert "Maryite" into a retreat house.

Although many of the Alumni officers and directors were prevented by illness and other commitments from attending, those present did a great deal of down-to-earth discussing of St. Joseph's. (Continued on Page Three)

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## St. Joseph's Students From Far and Near

The traditional English boast that "the sun never sets on the British Empire" can be applied as well to the territory which St. Joe students call home.

A glance at the 1953-54 student roster shows that the majority of the students here are from the midwestern states of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Ohio, Michigan and Missouri. But the eastern part of the country is represented by men from Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey and Delaware, Florida and Kentucky students from the southern contingent at St. Joe's, while the plains and western states sent men from North Dakota, Kansas and Arizona.

Six foreign countries are represented in the student body—Australia, Canada, Honduras, Panama, Puerto Rico and the Republic of Korea.

# Grads Returning Saturday For St. Joe Homecoming

This week-end (Oct. 17-18) is Homecoming at St. Joseph's. Plans are made for the best one yet.

The reminders were mailed last week. (Belatedly, true, and after various and sundry calamities, including equipment breakdowns, personnel injuries and a few jangled nerves; but the folks at St. Joe's are hoping that previous announcements served to keep the dates open for most alumni!)

The program will officially open at 10 o'clock Saturday morning with the first registrations, followed by faculty and campus visits and reunion time in Raleigh Hall. Football movies will be shown at 11 a. m. in Raleigh Hall, after which lunch will be served in the dining room.

## Election Is Scheduled By Detroit Chapter

At a meeting slated for the end of this month, the Greater-Detroit Chapter of the St. Joseph's College Alumni Association will mark the close of the fourth year of its history with the installation of new officers.

Balloting by mail is now in progress, with a slate of four members, named by the nominations committee, opposing the present officers.

The candidates are: For president, Paul Kilbride and Frank Novak; for vice-president, Ed Brennan and Don McAtamney; for secretary, Audrey Wagner and Harry Martinbianco; for treasurer, Mrs. John Valesano and Jack Matthews.

The chapter's record of achievement, especially for this year, is impressive. For the first time, the Detroit Chapter was one of three sister chapters to make important contributions to the Alumni Scholarship Foundation; and the local members are responsible in large part for a big increase of enrollment at St. Joseph's of young men from the Detroit area.

## Class Groups Initiate Religious Programs

The freshman and sophomore classes at St. Joseph's have initiated religious programs for the school year. The programs, put into practice last week, will continue until the end of the spring semester.

The sophomores will receive Holy Communion in a body every Wednesday morning at the seven o'clock Mass.

The freshman class will meet every Friday evening at the Grotto for a public recitation of the Rosary.

At 2 p. m. the football game between St. Joseph's Pumas and Butler University will be kicked off on the home field. Dinner is scheduled for 5:30 p. m.

The president's reception will begin at 7 p. m. Father Gross will meet the alumni in the Faculty Lounge.

The Indiana resort favorite, Jimmy Stier, has been signed as the orchestra for St. Joe's Homecoming Dance, which is to begin at 9 p. m. Saturday. Stier features a 12-piece orchestra and a girl singer. At 11:30 p. m. refreshments will be served in the Field House.

At 11 a. m. on Sunday a Memorial Mass will be offered in St. Joseph's Chapel for alumni deceased during the past year.

A system of registration centers by classes is being worked out this year, to make it easier for returning alumni to get in contact with their buddies of college days. Wives, children, girl-friends—all will be welcome.

The registration fee of five dollars per person will take care of admittance to the football game, luncheon and dinner.

The Homecoming weekend for St. Joe students will have begun on Friday night, with the traditional pep rally and bonfire in front of the band pavilion on the intramural field. This event will end the initiation of freshmen, with the frosh doing their Indian dance around the fire and heaving their beanies into the flames. A hayride will follow.

Although no individual hall floats or decorations will be made this year, we have the assurance (Continued on Page Two)

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## College Glee Club Plans Season's Tours

Although a definite schedule has not yet been made up, Father Lawrence F. Heiman, director of the St. Joseph's Glee Club, assures us that a good number of alumni will have a chance to hear the boys sing this year.

In fact, Father Heiman is certain that the number of public appearances of the Club will exceed the record set last year, 23. Plans are now being made for concerts throughout Lake County and the rest of northern Indiana, and in Chicago.

The Glee Club's initial appearance will be on Friday night before the Homecoming game, at the bonfire pep rally. A Christmas concert on the campus is planned for sometime in mid-December.



THE BENNETT HALL SIGN, at the end of St. Joseph's entrance drive, gives a group of freshmen a pleasant look into the future. The sign was painted by Miss Irene Gregg of Whiting, Ind.

# Contact!

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Brother Cletus, '18

# We Hear . . .

from RYE, New York

.... We have just received CONTACT!, sent to Robert C. Arlington, (ex-'54). He has been wounded in action in Korea on July 27, just two days before the armistice. He was hit in the face and side by grenades on Boulder Hill. Lucky for him and our thanks to God they were combustion and not fragment shells. They grafted skin from behind his ears. Bob loves CONTACT! and reads every word. He is still in Korea.

Our regards to all.

Mary Arlington  
(23 Bulkley Mn.)

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from COLUMBUS, Ohio

.... We wish to advise you that Robert E. Cashman, (ex-'42) is now stationed in Casablanca, Africa, and will be for ten more months. He was recently commissioned Major, having been in the Air Corps for the past twelve years. A picture of his camp was in Life magazine recently.

Robert is married, has three children, two boys, Robert, Jr., 5 years old, Donald, age 3, and a baby daughter baptized on Pentecost Sunday.

Best wishes.

Mrs. O. J. Cashman  
(1802 King Ct., Apt. F)

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from QUANTICO, Virginia

.... We really have been quite busy since returning to Quantico after our leaves last June. The course we are taking right now lasts 21 weeks, and it gets quite involved at times. There are classes and field work during the day and a lot of night work.

No doubt you are very busy right now with the new term starting. From all reports this should be one of your largest freshman classes. It's good to hear that St. Joe is getting so progressive and starting to branch out. Maybe some day we'll even have our own Union Building.

As for football down here there is quite a bit to tell. I was doing fine until we had our first game scrimmage last week. Someone stepped on my leg and it took 20 stitches to sew it up. . . . I should be ready to go next week at Cincinnati against Xavier. We have several pro and big time college stars—competition is quite different from college. We had ten men out for center and some of them were pretty good boys, but I think I can make the first team.

After we finish this course we will probably go to Camp LeJeune or to Camp Pendleton.

As ever.

Jerry Wenzel, ('53)  
(1st Tng. Gp. 23rd S.B.C.  
Co. C, Camp Barrett)

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from SPRINGFIELD, Ohio

.... Just a short note with my annual contribution to the Alumni Foundation "Living Endowment Fund."

We were just blessed recently, Aug. 3, with another addition to the family, 10 lb. 15 oz. baby girl. We have baptized her Jean Carolyn. That makes four children altogether; Joyce, four, Oct.

## Under The Colors

Pfc. Robert C. Arlington  
C 3 1, Ist Marine Div.  
c/o FPO, San Francisco, Calif.

Pvt. Thomas B. Bell  
Co. B, 2nd Bn. M.R.T.C.  
Camp Pickett, Va.

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Pvt. R. M. Carrabine  
Btry. B, 7th Tng. Bn. AAA, RTC  
Ft. Bliss, Texas.

Pvt. John G. Clark  
Btry. B, 6th Armd. F.A. Bn.  
Ft. Sill, Okla.

Pvt. Albert A. Callo  
Prov. Co. Sc. E. 1406  
APO 2, c/o PM., San Francisco,  
Calif.

Pvt. Maynard F. Gamber  
H & S Co., 52nd A.E.B., 6th  
Armd. Div.  
Ft. Leon Wood, Mo.

Pvt. William R. Gehring  
Co. D, T.T.G., 9603 T.S.U.  
Camp Luis Obispo, Calif.

Pvt. Don Gorman  
Btry. D., 71st A.F.A. Bn.  
5th Armd. Div.  
Camp Chaffee, Ark.

Pvt. John H. Hoffman  
Btry. A, 71st A.F.A. Bn.  
Camp Chaffee, Ark.

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E. T. School, Cl. A., Bldg. 520  
U.S.N.T.C., Great Lakes, Ill.

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B. Btry. 233rd F.A. Bn.  
Ft. Lewis, Wash.

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Barstow Annex, Barstow, Calif.

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C.C.A. 3rd Armd. Div.  
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3705th BSC Mil. Tng. Sq.  
Lackland A.F. Base  
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Pvt. Roland G. Meinert  
Btry. D, 95th F.A. Bn.  
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Camp Chaffee, Ark.

Pvt. Philip A. Menna  
HQ. & Hq. Co. 122nd A.O.M. Bn.  
C.C.R. 3rd Armd. Div.  
Ft. Knox, Ky.

Pvt. Donald C. Nilles  
HQ. & Svc. Btry. 63rd F.A. Bn.  
Ft. Bragg, N. Car.

Pvt. Thomas F. O'Rourke  
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Camp Carson, Col.

Pvt. John Regan  
Btry. B, 51st F.A. Cl. 58  
Ft. Ord, Calif.

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HQ. & Ops. Det., 9423rd TSU.  
ACACA  
Ft. Myer, Arlington 8, Va.

Pvt. Oscar A. Testa  
Btry. B, 11th Tng. Bn.  
AAA, R.T.C.  
Ft. Bliss, Texas.

Lt. Gerald A. Wenzel  
1st Tng. Bn. 23rd S B C, MCS Bn.  
Co. C, Camp Barrett  
Quantico, Va.

31; twin boys, Jerry and Jimmy, two next St. Valentine day; and the baby.

Am still employed at Air Materiel Comm. and Hqs., Wright Field, Dayton as a civil service employee and am engaged in budgeting work for the U. S. Air Force. Have been at Wright Field since August 1941 except for a period of 43 months military service during World War II.

Give my regards to all.

# Alumni Quickies

Ground for the new St. Cecilia's church at DeMotte, Ind was broken recently by Rev. Donald Hardebeck, '41, pastor at Wheatfield Ind. who will have the new parish as a mission. The edifice will be located on the new national highway from Florida to Chicago, U S 231 . . . Paul Rall, ex-'54, of Upper Sandusky, O., has entered the pre-flight training school at Lackland A.F.B., San Antonio, Texas . . . At the invitation of Coadjutor Bishop Thomas Gorman of Dallas, Texas, Rev. Lawrence J. Ernst, '32 moderator of the Toledo diocesan lay councils, spent a month in Dallas assisting in the organization of that diocese's council of Catholic men . . . Edward A. Fischer, '34, assistant Professor of Journalism at Notre Dame University, will also teach courses at St. Mary's College during the coming year . . . Chaplain James J. Dwyer, '33, who has seen duty on the front lines in Korea, was recently released from military service, and is now assistant at Sacred Heart church, Toledo . . . Manager of the loan department of an insurance company, Ed Zahne, '23, now lives at 824 Westmont Drive, Los Angeles . . . Bernie Hoffman, '43, who was a mighty busy man when he got his paws on the basketball as one of St. Joe's outstanding eagles of all time, is still inclined to heavy duty. He operates a lucrative ice cream business on the side while sharing duties in the Hoffman Bros., Inc auto agency with his brother at Jasper, Ind. . . . Ted Swierczek, '47, pigskin carrier of the early 40s, who graduated after his stretch of military service, is again on the campus, this time though he is lugging books back and forth from Drexel Hall as a postgrad in the geology department . . . Richard Smith, Jr., '30, is manager of a metal products corporation in Danville, Kentucky . . . A position with the Western Electric finds John N. Timmons, '52, now living at 1731 Slano Drive, N. E., Albuquerque, N. Mex. . . . Frank J. Pavalko, '52, asks that CONTACT! be mailed to his address at Kentland High School, Kentland, Ind. . . . Up in Woodstock, Ill., Don Cooney, '51, has put the St. Joe Cooney's (five in number) in the spotlight by winning the Class "B" golf championship of the city . . . The presidency of the Whiting Bar Association now rests in the capable hands of John L. Palo, ex-'42 . . . Associated with his father in business, Dr. August Enz, Jr., '40, Lafayette optometrist, has his name on the shingle at 607 Main St. . . . Birth announcements received: A daughter, Jean Carolyn, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph G. Leugers, '41, Aug. 3; a son, George, Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. George E. Ames, ex-'54, Sept. 27; a daughter, Celeste Marie, to Mr. and Mrs. John A. Metzner, Jr., '52, August 31; a daughter, Lydia Ann, to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Ritter, ex-'44, Aug. 1, by Caesarian section by Dr. Robert Kessler, ex-'42 . . . Field representative in Michigan for the Anderson Co. of Gary is the position held by John H. Lucas, '49 . . . As assistant purchasing agent for the National Homes Corporation, Warren Freeman, '48, has moved to 3317 Longlois Drive, Lafayette, Ind. . . . Thomas P. Morrissey, '50, is a member of the staff of Purdue University as Auditor of Student Organizations . . . Another member of the Boilermaker staff is Richard Kindig, ex-'45, who can be seen at the Athletic Ticket Office in West Lafayette . . . Joseph A. Peters, '53, was married to Miss Dorothy Mary O'Donnell at St. Peter's church, Mansfield, O., August 22. They will reside in Champaign, Ill. . . . The title is now "Proprietor": Norman B. Bahler, ex-'43, as the former Puma eager has purchased the Watseka Farm Equipment Co., and now lives at 680 E. Mulberry St. in that Illinois city . . . Dr. Gerard Urich, '26 of LaCrosse, Wis., has been promoted to Lt. Colonel in the Army Reserves . . . Jim Welch, ex-'50, who was discharged from the army in March is now in the wholesale floral business at 215 West 16th St., Indianapolis. Jim spent much of his military career with Tom Carmody, '50, and Al Zeisz, Jr., ex-'51 at Ft. Riley, Kans. . . . Latest members in the alumni dads of St. Joe students Club are: Con Fecher, Sr., '14, Archie O'Daniel, ex-'20, and Eugene Wuest, Sr., '27, whose sons, Roger, Jerome, and Eugene, Jr., respectively, have entered the large freshman class. Holdover dads are Joseph Gulassa, '22, and Ernest Hoyng, '23, whose sons are in the sophomore class in Xavier Hall . . .

## Alumni Returning . . .

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of Don Künzenberger, Homecoming chairman, that the entire campus will be fittingly decorated. The decorations committee is also endeavoring to construct an artificial fountain-pool for the dance, similar in operation to that of the 1951 Prom.

According to unofficial reports, more alumni are planning to return for this year's Homecoming than ever before.

Joe Leugers ('41)  
(Parkridge Acres, R. 1.)



## Father Gross Addresses Students in Louisville

St. Joseph's president, Father Raphael H. Gross, delivered the sermon last Wednesday at the opening-of-school mass for the three Catholic colleges in Louisville—Bellarmine, Ursuline and Nazareth.

Father Gross, whose life as a priest of the Society of the Precious Blood is one dedicated to the cause of Catholic education, made some very worthwhile observations—worthwhile particularly in this age of cold, pagan materialism which saturates most educational systems.

"... If you had wanted to become merely a biologist, a mathematician, an artist, you could have gone the way of some of your perhaps ill-advised companions to any of the great secular halls of learning," Father Gross told the Catholic college students in Louisville. "In such halls I have witnessed

good Christian youths cool and become lukewarm—and the lukewarm the Lord has vowed to vomit from His mouth. Yours is a nobler destiny: To become a Christian critic and philosopher, a Christian economist or scientist; to become Christian leaders in the towns and cities, in the dioceses and parishes of this great land; to become lay apostles in a most real sense.

"In this gigantic battle, the world of tomorrow belongs to youth. People today, as seldom before, are seeking madly a cause, something worth living and dying for... With diabolical cleverness the Reds appeal to youth's restless energy, its idealism and sense of adventure.

"But, my dear young friends, you too are demanded for a Cause, for the revolution which is Christianity. You profess to belong to Christ. You have a Leader! And He cries: 'I have come to spread fire on the earth, and what will I but that it be enkindled?' You belong to the Church Militant, not the Church sleeping or stagnant, but to the Church advancing in battle-array to the reconquest

of the world... In your Christian college, the occasion to live a full Christian life, you live under the same roof with Christ. You have the rules of discipline to help you grow straight and strong; you have the Mass and the Sacraments every day. Use them!

"... The Church and the world await you. Wars will not solve problems: only truth, Christian truth lived by strong leaders. Be the best Christian scholar, the best Christian leader you possibly can. Think of the professions—the law, medicine, and especially the teaching profession... Now is the time to prepare—to be students, Christian students in the completest sense. God gave each of you certain talents, and one day He will surely demand an account. Millions of the less fortunate will look to you college men and women as leaders. May they never, on judgment day, point an accusing finger at you... This is no time for mediocrity; the bottom is always so crowded, the top so sparse.

"Rally as cultured men carrying the banner of the world's most attractive leader—the Son of God, Jesus Christ. You have all seen the famous picture of the raising of the Stars and Stripes on the hill of Iwo Jima—a tale of blood and sacrifice. As you began school

## Those Questionnaires Are Really Important

Alumni questionnaires were mailed last week with the Homecoming reminders.

They've started coming back already—and that's great!

Through these questionnaires the alumni office hopes to begin getting a complete file built up, and to have some basis for correcting mailing lists.

Complete files and accurate mailing lists are important; they're absolutely essential if relations between the school and the alumni are to be kept from withering, and eventually dying out altogether. No one wants that to happen!

At your earliest convenience, then?

this fall, you celebrated on September 14, the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Rally under that banner of Truth raised on the Hill of Calvary, as have countless thousands of youths for centuries. For, 'You are the salt of the earth, but if the salt lose its strength, what shall it be salted with?'

## Bishop Bennett Meets Peter J. Gerka New Kin in England

### Accident Victim

Peter J. Gerka, of 518 Emlyn Place, East Chicago, Ind., a 1951 graduate of St. Joseph's College, was killed last month when pinned to the ground by a heavy piece of concrete as he was working on a new basement for his home.

The slab of concrete and concrete blocks was apparently loosened by the excavating he had done about the foundation.

Funeral services were held in Sacred Heart Church, East Chicago, with burial in St. John Cemetery. The funeral Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Louis Duray, '31. Present in the sanctuary were the Rev. James Birkley, '40, director of the Calumet Extension; the Rev. Joseph Smolar, '38, and Rev. Edwin Kaiser, '15. Father Kaiser delivered the funeral sermon.

Five of the pallbearers were St. Joseph's College schoolmates of the deceased. They were: George Bobalik, '50; George Dluzak, ex-'51; John Grigoras, ex-'53; John Onohan, '52; and Thomas Smith, ex-'50.

Gerka is survived by his wife, an infant daughter, his parents, a brother and two sisters. Widely esteemed for his noble Christian idealism, he was particularly active in Lake County Alumni affairs.

## Father D. Collins Dies in Hamler

The Rev. Donald Collins, '23, died last month in Hamler, Ohio, his birthplace. Bishop George J. Rehring offered the Pontifical Requiem Mass in St. Paul's Church, Hamler, Sept. 25.

Father Collins, ordained May 25, 1929, was taken ill during his first assignment as Rosary Cathedral curate, in Toledo, and had not been active since then. He leaves his mother, Mrs. M. E. Collins, Hamler; brothers, George Collins of Deshler, Ohio, Michael Collins of Detroit, Mich., and Glen Collins of Hamler; and sisters, Miss Florence Collins and Mrs. Lucille Lodge of Toledo, Ohio.

Letters would be best written in colored ink or pencil—located where YOU think best. Some designation would be helpful, too, as to the order in which these buildings should be considered during the next few decades.

## St. Joe Graduate Famous Surgeon

A young St. Joseph's product, Dr. Mark P. Fecher, '40, was first assistant surgeon and attending physician to British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden, at the time of his recent major operation at Boston's famous Lahey clinic.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Con Fecher of Swigart Road, Dayton, Dr. Fecher assisted Dr. Richard Beatley Channing Cattell, who was recommended by five of England's most noted physicians to perform the surgery.

Dr. Fecher who is now a member of a surgery clinic in Knoxville, Tenn., had a fellowship in surgery at the Boston clinic. In that capacity he served with Dr. Cattell and Dr. Frank Lahey, head of the clinic.

The former St. Joseph's collegian also was assistant surgeon and attending physician to Margaret and Mary Gibb, 41-year old U. S. born Siamese twins, one of whom underwent an operation recently for an abdominal tumor.

The young Dayton doctor holds degrees from the University of Dayton and St. Louis University. He interned at Good Samaritan Hospital, later serving for two years with the U. S. Army in Japan.

In July of 1951 he completed three years as resident surgeon at St. Vincent's Hospital in Jacksonville, Fla., and later was resident surgeon at Roswell Park Memorial Institute in Buffalo, N. Y.

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## Father Connelly Still Active in Civic Clubs

The Rev. Richard J. Connelly, '33, pastor of St. Colman's Catholic Church, Washington C. H., Ohio, was the main speaker at the 1953 annual installation program of the Defiance Lions Club. Father Connelly is also grand national chaplain and state chaplain of the American Legion, and state chaplain of the Forty and Eight.

During World War II, Father Connelly was overseas for 32 months, attaining the rank of major. He received five battle stars and a bronze star, for the Africa and European campaigns.

A native of Newark, Ohio, he attended St. Joseph's College, the University of Dayton, Harvard University, St. Charles at Columbus, Ohio, and St. Vincent's at Latrobe, Pa. He was ordained in 1939.

Father Connelly recently completed seven years as chaplain of the Lancaster Boys Industrial School.

## Alumni's Suggestions Asked for Use in Long-Range Planning

Before Bennett Hall is located on the St. Joseph's campus, the college officials see the need for some long-range planning—buildings, several of them, which could logically be required during the next 20 to 40 years if St. Joe's continues to share the burden of Catholic education.

The tremendous enrollments in the country's grade and high schools of today will begin to reach college level before many years. State and other secular institutions already are participating in this expansion. If schools such as St. Joseph's are to do their full share in the years ahead, "paper" planning now must go hand-in-hand with such immediate problems as the location of Bennett Hall.

No one is better qualified or better entitled to help in this planning than St. Joe's own alumni—whose interest in their Alma Mater, coupled with their practical experience, is bound to make their ideas worthwhile.

It is with this thought in mind that the College asks YOUR help in planning. Reproduced here is a map of the campus, with existing buildings designated. The Building and Grounds Committee asks for the personal suggestions of each alumnus as to sites, not only for Bennett Hall, but also for possible future buildings.

If we project our thinking into the future—ten, twenty, thirty years—it is not difficult to see a potential need for still more dormitory buildings, a health service building, increased parking facilities, possibly a new campus activities building and others.

The point to remember is that, no matter how obscure the need for these buildings may seem at the present, their consideration is important to present planning such as the location of Bennett Hall.

St. Joseph's College is blessed with adequate acreage for any needs the future may bring. We should, however, bear in mind a few limitations: There are two natural boundaries for the campus proper, Highway 53 on the east, and Sparling Ave. (the cow barn road) on the west; the location of the Power Plant (number 17), which should service all new

buildings; the location of Xavier Hall, which should not be surrounded; and the former swamp area, lying between number 16 and 27, which will not hold any footings or foundations without tremendous additional cost. However, in the area directly west

of this, along Sparling Ave., there is a good building site.

With these thoughts, alumni are asked to mark the map below, with letters representing the potential buildings and keyed to an explanation given at the side or

